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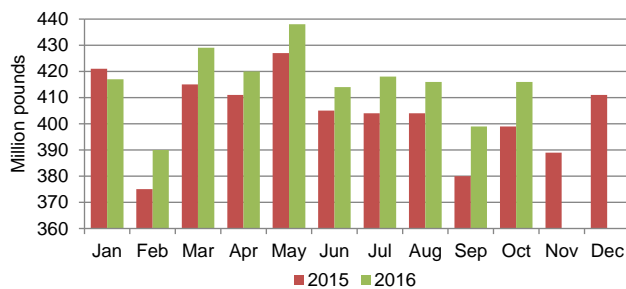
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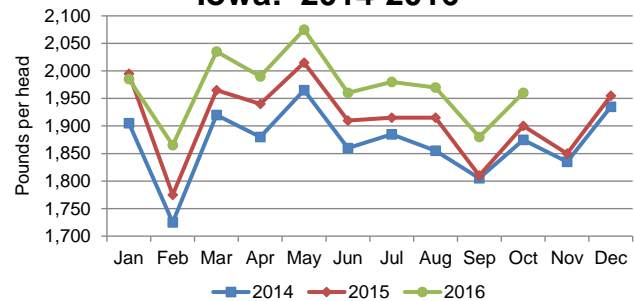
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Milk production in Iowa during October 2016 totaled 416 million pounds, up 4 percent from the previous October according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Milk Production* report. The average number of milk cows during October, at 212,000 head, was the same as last month but 2,000 more than last year. Monthly production per cow averaged 1,960 pounds, up 60 pounds from last October.

**Milk Production
Iowa: 2015-2016**



**Milk Production per Cow
Iowa: 2014-2016**



Milk Cows and Production – Selected States: October 2015 and 2016

State	Milk Cows ¹		Milk Per Cow ²		Milk Production ²		
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	Change from 2015
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Arizona	195	197	1,930	1,915	376	377	0.3
California	1,777	1,766	1,825	1,870	3,243	3,302	1.8
Colorado	146	151	2,185	2,180	319	329	3.1
Florida	125	120	1,470	1,485	184	178	-3.3
Idaho	587	599	2,035	2,075	1,195	1,243	4.0
Illinois	94	93	1,610	1,620	151	151	0.0
Indiana	183	184	1,830	1,860	335	342	2.1
Iowa	210	212	1,900	1,960	399	416	4.3
Kansas	142	147	1,840	1,910	261	281	7.7
Michigan	410	422	2,100	2,140	861	903	4.9
Minnesota	460	461	1,695	1,725	780	795	1.9
New Mexico	323	321	1,990	2,025	643	650	1.1
New York	620	620	1,910	2,000	1,184	1,240	4.7
Ohio	266	263	1,705	1,730	454	455	0.2
Oregon	126	125	1,685	1,695	212	212	0.0
Pennsylvania	530	526	1,660	1,710	880	899	2.2
South Dakota	109	115	1,890	1,870	206	215	4.4
Texas	462	488	1,845	1,890	852	922	8.2
Utah	96	90	1,900	1,910	182	172	-5.5
Vermont	131	129	1,670	1,750	219	226	3.2
Virginia	90	88	1,595	1,605	144	141	-2.1
Washington	277	275	1,975	2,015	547	554	1.3
Wisconsin	1,279	1,277	1,905	1,950	2,436	2,490	2.2
23-State Total	8,638	8,669	1,860	1,903	16,063	16,493	2.7

¹ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk sucked by calves.

United States Milk Production

Milk production in the 23 major States during October totaled 16.5 billion pounds, up 2.7 percent from October 2015. September revised production, at 16.0 billion pounds, was up 2.3 percent from September 2015. The September revision represented a decrease of 6 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,903 pounds for October, 43 pounds above October 2015. This is the highest production per cow for the month of October since the 23 State series began in 2003.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.67 million head, 31,000 head more than October 2015, but 2,000 head less than September 2016.

Milk production in the United States during October totaled 17.6 billion pounds, up 2.5 percent from October 2015.

Production per cow in the United States averaged 1,880 pounds for October, 42 pounds above October 2015.

The number of milk cows on farms in the United States was 9.34 million head, 15,000 head more than October 2015, but 2,000 head less than September 2016.

Monthly Milk Production – 23 Selected States

Million pounds

